

**INDIANA ARTS COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

June 12, 2013

IAC Office, 100 N. Senate Avenue, Room N505
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Jon Ford, Chair

Minutes

Members present: Jon Ford, Pam Hicks

Members via teleconference: Jeff Kirk, Trevor Yager

Members absent: Karen Ellerbrook

IAC staff present: Michelle Anderson, Dennis Hardin, Lewis Ricci, Rex Van Zant

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** IAC Chair Jon Ford called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

2. **Consent Agenda.** IAC Commissioner Pam Hicks moved to adopt the consent agenda, consisting of today's agenda and the minutes from the March 13, 2013 meeting of the Executive Committee. IAC Commissioner Jon Ford seconded the motion. Roll call as follows:

Ford	Y
Hicks	Y
Kirk	Y
Yager	Y

The motion passed.

3. **Review of proposed slate of IAC officers for FY 2014.** Mr. Ford moved that the Executive Committee recommend the following slate of nominees for election by the full Commission as IAC officers for FY 2014: Chair, Trevor Yager; Vice-Chair, Pam Hicks; Secretary, Susan Hardwick. Ms. Hicks seconded the motion. Roll call as follows:

Ford	Y
Hicks	Y
Kirk	Y
Yager	Y

The motion passed.

4. Financials.

a. IAC Executive Director Lewis Ricci presented a handout (attached) showing the IAC FY 2013 budget, current through May 31, 2013.

b. IAC Marketing and Communications Director Rex Van Zant reported on the current balance of the Cultural Trust fund (handout attached); as of April 30, 2013, the account balance is \$2,430,174.12.

c. Mr. Ricci presented a handout (attached) showing the proposed IAC budget for FY 2014. He also presented handouts (attached) showing the FY 2014 Allocation Plan, and pie charts showing the proportional distribution of grant funds in all categories. Ms. Hicks moved that the Executive Committee recommend that the full Commission adopt the FY 2014 IAC budget as presented. Mr. Yager seconded the motion. Roll call as follows:

Ford	Y
Hicks	Y
Kirk	Y
Yager	Y

The motion passed.

5. Presentation of FY 2014 Grants. Mr. Ricci explained that the Programs, Grants and Services Committee reviewed all of the proposed FY 2014 grants during its last meeting on June 4. He presented handouts (attached) showing all of the proposed grants in these categories: Regional Arts Partner, Arts Operating Support (AOS) III Multi-Regional, Statewide Arts Service Organization, Statewide Membership, Individual Artist Program, and Regional Initiative Grants (RIG) for all regions. Mr. Yager moved that the Executive Committee recommend that the full Commission approve all FY 2014 grants as presented. Ms. Hicks seconded the motion. Roll call as follows:

Ford	Y
Hicks	Y
Kirk	Y
Yager	Y

The motion passed.

6. Governor's Office and Legislature. Mr. Ricci reported that he has been in communication with Andrew Kossack, who is the IAC liaison to the Office of the Governor, regarding appointments to the Arts Commission. IAC Commissioner Judy Hess completed a second four-year term in June 2012 and has yet to be replaced by the Governor. The first terms of Commissioners Jon Ford and Linda Levell expire in June 2013 and both are eligible for re-appointment to a second term. Mr. Kossack is expected to attend the next meeting of the full Commission on June 21. Mr. Ricci reported that the IAC has established a fruitful relationship with the First Lady of the State of Indiana, Karen Pence and that she has expressed her interest in the programs

of the Arts Commission. She is honorary chair of the Indiana Bicentennial Commission and will work to insure that the arts will be an element of the bicentennial celebration. Ms. Hicks suggested that a meeting between the First Lady and the IAC Executive Committee would be desirable. Mrs. Pence, herself an artist, is creating a drawing that will be featured on the cover of the program for the 2013 Governor's Arts Awards.

7. Governor's Arts Awards Update. Mr. Ricci reported that the voting has been completed for the 2013 Governor's Arts Awards, and that the Governor has approved the nominees. The prospective recipients are being contacted to determine their availability to appear at the awards program. The program will be held at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. Bedford, Indiana limestone sculptor William Galloway has been engaged to create the awards that will be presented. A press release announcing the recipients will be dispatched once all have committed to attending.

8. Strategic Plan. Mr. Ricci presented the newest version of his "matrix" document (copy attached), a tool for monitoring the progress of the current IAC strategic plan. The matrix organizes Commissioners and staff into nine sub-committees, each focusing on a particular area of implementation. Before the end of the current calendar year, Mr. Ricci wants to articulate strategies for the next two to three years under the current strategic plan. To that end, he will briefly convene each of the small groups after the conclusion of the quarterly business meeting on June 21, for the purpose of beginning the work of articulating strategies; each group will meet again by teleconference over the summer as necessary. Mr. Ricci wants to be able to present strategy priorities to the full Commission at its September 2013 meeting, followed by meetings with constituents around the state.

9. Bicentennial and Private Fundraising. Mr. Ricci reported that most funding for the Indiana Bicentennial celebration will come from private donations, rather than public money. He would like to meet again with the First Lady to discuss the fundraising plans and any plan to include the arts, such as funding for public art. Mrs. Pence will be able to coordinate a presentation by IAC representatives to the Bicentennial Commission. After that, a group of current and former Arts Commissioners will be assembled to pursue fundraising.

10. Emeritus Commissioner Discussion. Mr. Ricci remarked that the IAC needs some fresh ideas about how to continue to engage those who have previously served as Commissioners. Some have been involved in advocacy activities or have attended an IAC event, and several will attend a retirement reception on June 20 for long-time Community Development Manager Bobbie Garver. Mr. Ricci suggested that this event will be a good opportunity to greet several former Commissioners.

11. Indiana Artisan. Mr. Ricci reported that the Indiana Artisan Program, which began as a collaborative effort among the Arts Commission, the Indiana Office of Tourism and the Office of Community and Rural Affairs, has been met with financial struggles, resulting in the loss of their official not-for-profit status. The board of directors for Indiana Artisan is considering the options for re-organization or dissolution of the

program. Mr. Ricci suggested that the Arts Commission offer to shoulder the responsibility for the stewardship of the Indiana Artisan designation, maintaining a process for application and selection of future Artisans. The Programs, Grants and Services Committee recently voted to recommend approval. Ms. Hicks, who chairs the PGSC, moved to recommend that the full Commission approve IAC's participation in the Indiana Artisan Program as the steward of the designation for a period of time not less than one year, and that the Programs, Grants and Services Committee be charged with the responsibility. Mr. Kirk seconded the motion. Roll call as follows:

Ford	Y
Hicks	Y
Kirk	Y
Yager	Y

The motion passed.

12. **Old Business.** There was no old business.

13. **New Business.** There was no new business.

14. **Adjourn.** Mr. Ford thanked everyone for their participation. Ms. Hicks moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Yager seconded the motion. Roll call as follows:

Ford	Y
Hicks	Y
Kirk	Y
Yager	Y

The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.